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## **REMARKS**

The application as presented is believed to be in allowable condition, and Applicants respectfully request a favorable examination. To answer any questions, or otherwise further the prosecution of this application, the Examiner may contact the undersigned attorney at the number provided below.

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## ATTACHMENT A AMENDED CLAIMS WITH EDITING MARKS

17. (Amended) A system for heating [a workpiece] an electronic substrate comprising:

a support for supporting [the workpiece] the electronic substrate in a working position;

a heater mounted for heating one side of [the workpiece] the electronic substrate; and

a first hollow elongated tube mounted so that the heater is between [the workpiece] the electronic substrate and the first tube, the first tube having a plurality of holes oriented so that when a gas is introduced into the first tube, the gas is directed through the holes, past the heater, and toward [the workpiece] the electronic substrate.

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## ATTACHMENT B CLAIMS PENDING AS OF January 30, 2003

17. (Amended) A system for heating an electronic substrate comprising:

a support for supporting the electronic substrate in a working position;

a heater mounted for heating one side of the electronic substrate; and

a first hollow elongated tube mounted so that the heater is between the electronic substrate and the first tube, the first tube having a plurality of holes oriented so that when a gas is introduced into the first tube, the gas is directed through the holes, past the heater, and toward the electronic substrate.

- 18. The system of claim 17, wherein the heater includes a plurality of parallel heating tubes and the hollow elongated tube is transverse to the heating tubes.
- 19. The system of claim 18, further comprising a second hollow elongated tube with holes, the second tube being mounted parallel to the first tube.
- 20. (New) The system of claim 19, wherein the holes of the first hollow elongated tube are at locations halfway between pairs of adjacent heating tubes.
- 21. (New) The system of claim 17, further comprising a plurality of additional hollow elongated tubes with holes, each of the plurality of additional tubes being mounted parallel to the first tube.
- 22. (New) The system of claim 17 further comprising an air supply coupled to each end of the first tube for providing air at each end.
- 23. (New) The system of claim 17 wherein the first tube is made of black anodized aluminum.
  - 24. (New) A method of heating an electronic substrate, the method comprising: supporting the electronic substrate in a working position;

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heating a side of the electronic substrate with a heater;

positioning a first hollow elongated tube so that the heater is between the electronic substrate and the first hollow elongated tube,

wherein the first hollow elongated tube has a plurality of holes, the plurality of holes oriented to face the electronic substrate; and

introducing a gas into the first hollow elongated tube.

- 25. (New) The method of claim 24 further comprising directing the gas through the holes, past the heater, and toward the electronic substrate.
- 26. (New) The method of claim 25 further comprising positioning a second hollow elongated tube, parallel to the first hollow elongated tube, and directing the gas through the second hollow elongated tube.
  - 27. (New) A system for heating an electronic substrate comprising:
  - a support for supporting an electronic substrate in a working position;
- a heater having a plurality of parallel heating tubes mounted for heating one side of the electronic substrate; and

means for directing a gas past the heater and toward the electronic substrate.

- 28. (New) The system of claim 27 wherein the means for directing a gas is comprised of a first hollow elongated tube with holes.
- 29. (New) The system of claim 28 wherein the parallel heating tubes are transverse to the first hollow elongated tube with holes.
- 30. (New) The system of claim 29 further comprising a second hollow elongated tube with holes, the second tube being mounted parallel to the first tube.
- 31. (New) The system of claim 30 wherein the holes of the first hollow elongated tube are at locations halfway between pairs of adjacent heating tubes.

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32. (New) The system of claim 31 further comprising an air supply coupled to each end of the first tube for providing air at each end.

- 33. (New) The system of claim 32 wherein the first tube is made of black anodized aluminum.
- 34. (New) The system of claim 27 wherein the means for directing a gas is a plurality of hollow elongated tubes with holes, the plurality of tubes being mounted in parallel and transverse to the heating tubes.

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